

TEN MILITANTS ARE ARRESTED

White House Picketers Cause Little Excitement by Display of Banners.

Ten more of the women picketers of the Cameron House were arrested by the police yesterday when they attempted a display of banners before the White House.

Among the group were the six women who were arrested last Thursday and are at liberty on \$100 bonds, pending the adjudication of their appeal, which has been granted by Judge Robb.

Little excitement attended the arrests. The women marched from Cameron House promptly at 4:30 p. m. and arrived at the east gate of the Executive Mansion without being disturbed by an interested crowd of sightseers.

Five minutes after they had taken their stand, Police Captains Flather and Sullivan, with a detail of blue-coats and two policemen, arrived in an automobile. They made an effort to disperse the crowd without much success, and when the picketers refused to move, they were formally placed under arrest. They were placed in the patrol wagon with their banners and taken to police headquarters.

Miss Anne Martin, of Nevada, furnished surety of \$25 each for their appearance in the police court today, when they will be charged with obstructing traffic.

The picketers arrested are: Mrs. Pauline Adams, of Norfolk, Va.; Mrs. Gertrude Hunter, of Minneapolis; Mrs. Clara Fuller, of Little Falls, Minn.; Miss Margaret Fotheringham, of Buffalo, N. Y.; Mrs. W. L. Lockwood, of New York; Miss Maud Jamieson, of Virginia; Mrs. Correll Beach, of Kentucky; and Miss Vivian Pierce, of California. The first six were the women arrested last Thursday and at liberty pending their appeal.

There is no change in the picketing plans of the militants. They will continue, and Attorney O'Brien, their counsel, will appeal the cases if they are convicted today.

McLEAN WILL CASE MAY BE ADJUSTED

Trust Company Will Not Oppose Edward B. as Co-Trustee.

With the application of Edward B. McLean to be made co-trustee for the estate of John R. McLean, his father, filed yesterday through Attorney William J. Lambert, final settlement of the threatened dispute concerning the assets of the elder McLean at the time he is alleged to have drawn the will and several other complications, appeared to be in sight.

Immediately afterward, the American Security and Trust Company, through its attorneys, Darlington & Hogan, filed an answer, stating that they would not oppose the wishes of Edward B. McLean.

Justice could have the matter under

Dan Cupid Has Most Busy Year; Number of Marriages Increases; Divorces Decrease in Capital

The year 1917 promises to be a banner one for marriages in the District of Columbia.

Going back five years, for it is said that a city sheds its skin during that period, we find that more couples have secured marriage licenses during the present than during any year since 1912. The record to date stands 3,365, or at the rate of 421 a month as against 363 per month last year. 350 for 1915, the same for 1914, 1913 and 1912. The monthly average for 1912, 1913, 1914 and 1915 is so close that there is hardly any difference. This does not mean that just 350 couples marry each month, but the average for the year. The total for 1912 was 4,198, for 1913, 4,365, for 1914, 4,365, for 1915, 4,198 and for 1916, 4,233.

What is the cause of the increase? We must take into consideration the high cost of living, the war, the growth of the city, especially since the declaration of war, and economic conditions in general. Not a Washingtonian can have the finger of blame pointed at him, with the suspicion that he married to avoid a trip to the trenches. There is absolutely nothing on record to indicate any of this sort.

Increase Due to War.

The increase for the first six months of 1917 was, according to Col. W. A. Kroll, who has issued practically all of the licenses, 455. Some of this increase is brought about by soldiers already in uniform, who want to marry before going abroad, and some of this increase is due to the growth of population, which is itself due to the large numbers of extra employees in the government departments.

Another cause of the increase is the fact that higher wages are being paid to colored labor, skilled and unskilled, and when our unbleached brother receives an increase he travels a mile or more to the marriage license counter. Unlike his white brother the high cost of living bothers him not.

Washington is a mecca for matrimonial excursions. Couples come from far and near to spend part or all of their honeymoon or to get married at the national capital. There is not a day passes but what at least half a dozen and sometimes many more apply to Col. Kroll for a license.

Few Licenses Cancelled.

The average age that men in this city marry is 25, and that of the women varies from 20 to 23. Of all the licenses issued since January 1, 20 per cent are colored, 25 per cent were issued to out-of-town couples, one to an Indian, several mixed white and colored licenses, and at least another 25 per cent, counting from April, were issued to soldiers, both officers and enlisted men.

About 1-per cent and probably less of all the licenses issued were returned for cancellation. So it can be seen that when a couple get as far as the marriage license they seldom turn back. One license issued this year was returned by a Washington soldier youth who returned it with the

announcement his decision, which both sides expect to be favorable, today.

It is also expected that the caveat filed by young McLean opposing the admission of his father's will to probate will be withdrawn, as he could not wait to be overruled or trustee at the same time. The principal points in the caveat filed by the son involved

announcement that his country was more in need of his services than his prospective wife.

Divorce statistics go hand in hand with marriage statistics, and it is interesting to know just how many couples, out of a given number, apply for papers to have the knot untied. For instance, during the first eight months of this year 218 couples applied for a divorce or a separation of some sort.

Low Per Cent Seek Divorce.

Some of these were from couples who were married out of town, but since there are a number of couples who marry here, live her awhile and then go away, the break is about even. Three thousand three hundred and sixty-five licenses issued to date mean that for every unhappy couple there are 143 happy ones, or to be explicit, none of the 12 have made a peep that the clerk of the District Supreme Court could hear. Summed up, one couple in every 142 regrets that they ever saw the courthouse.

For 1916, with 4,553 licenses issued, there were 276 divorce suits filed. This means that for every 151 couples who had the knot tied one has tried to have it untied. For 1915, 4,198 licenses were issued, as against 260 divorce suits filed, or one for every 163 couples married. It is the happiest year of either since that time.

A very peculiar thing about getting married and getting unmarried is, rather, we should say, an odd thing, is that you do it all at the same counter at the courthouse.

At one end of the counter hangs a bunch of mistletoe under which Col. William A. Kroll presides and issues you what is sometimes known as a "bliss permit," or marriage license. He is the official representative of Dan Cupid, and has seen more happy faces than any man in the whole courthouse. You come to him in your happiest moments. He is all smiles all the time. He has seen so many people smiling that it comes natural.

Divorce at Same Counter.

At the other end of the counter stands "Jack" Palmer. He is the genius to whom your lawyer comes and files your divorce papers. He, too, is all smiles, but that does not mean that he is smiling at your misfortune. He will take a set of papers that may mean that you and the madam are to separate for good with as much good grace as he does his monthly pay check. That is because he knows that most of a fellow's troubles never happened.

Some times a lawyer hands a paper in at the wrong end of the counter, and sometimes a shy couple walk up to Mr. Palmer and want to get a license. It doesn't take long to tell them the difference.

The mental capacity of the deceased at the time of the drawing of the will, June 3, 1915, and the question of undue influence, which may have been exerted on him at that time.

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PROFIT OR QUIT COAL MEN SAY

Willing to Let Government Take Mines and Operate Them.

The cost of producing plus-profit rate for all coal produced, will be insisted upon by the coal operators of the country or there will be a falling off in production of from 10 to 50 per cent. If the government believes it can operate the mines at a lower cost than the operators, they are willing to let the government try the experiment and shoulder the cost. They are not willing to run their properties at a loss and shut down, unless there is a readjustment in some of the prices for bituminous coal fixed by President Wilson.

These facts were decided upon yesterday at a meeting of the National Coal Operators' Association executive committee here. It further was decided to call the meeting of coal operators scheduled to be held in Pittsburgh the end of this month, and wait until the facts and figures gathered by the members of the association are brought to bear all the political Garfield, the President's coal controller.

While some of the operators counsel bringing to bear the additional pressure of their various States to force a readjustment, the committee voted to take no overt action until Dr. Garfield shall have taken active charge of the situation and had a chance to inspect the figures which the operators will prepare for him.

It was stated that 75 per cent of the total coal production comes from the fields where the cost of production is highest, and that the prices fixed by the President strike a blow at operators of these mines. Until Dr. Garfield shall have a chance to act, the operators will make no move.

The Alabama operators called at the Federal Trade Commission yesterday and presented their figures on cost of production. It was stated that the prices fixed by the President would force 40 per cent of the Alabama mines to close down. The operators of Southeastern Kentucky also stated that practically the entire field would have to go out of business if the President's prices were not readjusted.

The southeastern operators, putting out about 45 per cent of the field's total production is in the Tennessee Jellico field, operates at practically the same costs and has the same freight rates. Yet it is declared, the Tennessee Jellico operators get \$2.40 under the government schedule, while Kentucky operators get only \$1.36. These figures are for run of mine coal.

It is stated that the cost of production in Southeastern Kentucky will run from \$2.10 to \$2.30 and will average about \$2.25 per ton.

SENDS KAISER COPY OF NEW WAR SONG

"Yankee Doodle in Berlin," Washingtonian's Marching Song.

"Yankee Doodle in Berlin" is the latest marching song to quicken the feet of the boys in khaki "over there." The author of the words is Louis H. Crowe, an employee in the District Health Department, and he dedicates his effort to "Our noble defenders in the army and navy of the United States of America."

Five copies have been mailed to the Kaiser, in care of Berlin, and President Wilson will receive one gratis, as will each member of the Cabinet. The words are as follows, to be sung to "Yankee Doodle."

The Yankee armies left 'tis true Without a single pony. And they sailed across the ocean blue, Protected by Old Glory.

Our armies landed safe in France, And the Kaiser, he must learn to dance. To Yankee Doodle came to town, To hunt the murderous traitors down.

Our boys are clad in khaki suits, With neither helmet or gold boots. But they will make the Germans pay. For Americans, they dare to slay.

YEAR'S WAR BUDGET IS \$21,000,000,000

Kitchin Makes Estimate After Hearing Secretary McAdoo.

Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo, before an executive session of the ways and means committee yesterday afternoon, explained the provisions of the administration's new bond and certificate bill, carrying \$11,339,945,460. He also discussed with the members of the committee the request which the administration soon will make for an additional \$2,000,000,000 bond issue, which Congress is expected to authorize.

Mr. McAdoo was before the committee more than four hours and at adjournment it was announced that substantial progress had been made toward getting the bill in shape for presentation to the House. It was understood that with reference to the additional \$2,000,000,000 to be asked for, the Secretary furnished convincing evidence of the necessity for that sum for "emergencies."

"After hearing the Secretary it will probably be necessary to raise to \$21,000,000,000 the amount available for the government during the present fiscal year," Chairman Kitchin said.

CAMP CANTEN RIFLED WHILE SOLDIERS SLEEP

J. M. Bird, a student of the Engineer Corps, U. S. A., in training at the University camp in Wisconsin avenue northwest, told the police of the Seventh precinct yesterday, that the "canteen" of the camp was robbed of \$20 in cash Monday night after the place had been closed.

FILES SUIT FOR DAMAGES.

Leonard Frey has filed suit in the District Supreme Court to recover \$10,000 damages against Leo Simmons, a building contractor. Frey alleges that his collar bone was broken, and other injuries received when lumber fell on him while engaged at steam fitting at the St. Nicholas Apartments, Twenty-fifth and California streets northwest on August 12 of last year.

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J. A. Roundtree Arrives To Plan Railroad Route

J. A. Roundtree, secretary to the Bankhead National Highway Association, arrived in this city yesterday. Mr. Roundtree will confer with Senator John H. Bankhead, of Alabama, regarding the route of the Bankhead National Highway, one of the greatest transcontinental highways ever proposed. This road, of which about one-half is admirably adapted for a military purpose from Washington to Little Rock, Ark., is about 3,000 miles long.

Starting from Washington this road will end up at Los Angeles, Calif., and will traverse about fourteen States.

UNIVERSITY GETS BEQUEST.

New York, Aug. 28.—Columbia University will receive a bequest of \$50,000 under the will of George L. Rives, former corporation counsel of New York, filed today. Two-thirds of the estate, valued at \$750,000, is left to the widow.

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FEDERAL CONTROL BEING ARRANGED

Government to Privately Handle Ship Loading and Unloading.

Arrangement was made yesterday by which the government hopes to control absolutely the loading and unloading of all ships in American ports. The means taken was the naming of a national commission which will have entire charge of all labor entering into loading and unloading of vessels at Atlantic, Gulf and Pacific ports.

The national commission will be composed of four members, representing the Shipping Board, the Secretary of War, the International Longshoremen's Association and the committee on shipping of the Council of National Defense. The union scale of wages, hours and conditions in each port will be adopted as the standard. The decision of the national commission shall be binding upon all parties, and in all cases work shall continue pending the action of the commission.

The commission personnel will be as follows: For the War Department, Walter Lippman, assistant to the Secretary of War; for the Longshoremen's Association, T. V. O'Connor, Buffalo; for the shipping committee of the Council of Defense, P. A. S. Franklin, and for the Shipping Board, Vice Chairman Stevens.

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FALLS FROM FIRE ESCAPE.

Charles F. Hunter, 46 years, 111 Pennsylvania avenue northwest, fell from the fire escape of the second story of 111 Pennsylvania avenue northwest last night to the sidewalk. He received lacerations of the scalp. His condition is not serious.

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